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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
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Thereof and Novel Tethered Ligand-Receptor Molecules**
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. SKGF Cover Letter;
2. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1) (one additional month for a total of three months);
3. Notice of Appeal From the Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences - Large Entity;
4. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116;
5. Credit Card Payment form for \$1,070.00 to cover the Notice of Appeal fee and \$570.00 fee to further the extension of time from two months to three months; and
6. Return postcard.


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